

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-9 (Canceled).

10 (Previously Presented): The method of claim 34, wherein said resistin polypeptide has the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2.

11 (Previously Presented): The method of claim 34, wherein said resistin polypeptide has the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:4.

12-22 (Canceled).

23 (Previously Presented): The method of claim 34, wherein said antibody is selected from the group consisting of a polyclonal antibody, a monoclonal antibody, a humanized antibody, and an antibody selected from a phage display library.

24 (Previously presented): The method of claim 34, wherein said composition further comprises a pharmaceutically-acceptable carrier.

25-33 (Canceled).

34 (Previously Presented): A method of treating or alleviating type 2 diabetes, said method comprising administering to a patient afflicted with type 2 diabetes an amount sufficient to reduce serum glucose of a composition comprising an antibody that

specifically binds a resistin polypeptide selected from the group consisting of a resistin polypeptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2 and a resistin polypeptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:4.

35-83 (Canceled).